

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

At page 2, please replace the paragraph at lines 3-6 with the following:

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At page 32, please replace Tables 4 and 5 with the following Tables 4 and 5: (next page)

Table 4
Summary of antimicrobial peptides from f88-4/15mer and fUSE5-15mer libraries

I.	LIBRA RY	Group	Clone	Frequency ¹	Amino Acid Sequence	pI	MIC	IC ₉₀
	fUSE5-15/mer	1	fuse5/2	1/12	II. VVFLSSRNSAVFTDF (SEQ ID NO:8)	5.81	1.99e10	1.86e10
	f88-4/15-mer	2	hi3/2	1/15	III. GRHRTSVPTDEVFIT (SEQ ID NO:3)	6.75	9.98e9	9.19e9
			hi3/12	1/15	IV. KKSHHPSSSEWGLNLT (SEQ ID NO:2)	8.61	9.98e9	8.92e9
			hi3/11	1/15	V. KQRDSRSGYTAPTLV (SEQ ID NO:1)	9.99	9.98e9	8.92e9
			hi3/13	1/15	VI. RNHGTDRATTIPPLS (SEQ ID NO:5)	9.61	2.29e10	1.93e10
		3	hi3/17	4/15	VII. KQRTSIRATEGCLPS (SEQ ID NO:4)	9.50	1.93e9	1.82e9

¹ - frequency of the clone in the library

Table 5
Other peptides

Library	Clone	Freq. In Library	Amino acid sequence
FUSE5-15mer	fUSE5/3	1/12	GSRGKHTFVRPTLVF (SEQ ID NO:6)
	fUSE5/8	1/12	FISYSSPSHMGARMR (SEQ ID NO:7)